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To the Select Society of Grub-ſtreet.

Sic viſum Veneri; cui placet impares
Formas atque animos ſub juga aenea
Saevo mittere cum joco. HOR.

Gentlemen,

I WAS lately viſiting an agreeable pair juſt entered into the ſtate of Matrimony, whom for diſtinction ſake I beg leave to call PHILANDER and EUDOSIA. Such a ſight, you know, diffuſes a pleaſure to all beholders; we look upon it as a piece of juſtice done to human nature, when the two ſexes conſpire to ſet it out to the beſt advantage. In the gaiety of heart which this proſpect excited, one of the company obſerved, that 'twas pity marriages were not always as well ſorted; but, he did not know how it was, he had heard it paſs for an obſervation, that handſome women generally marry ordinary men.

Examples of this kind, ſays EUDOSIA, I believe are leſs frequent than you imagine: ſome few there may be, and the rarity of them makes them the more talked of; but there is no accounting for LOVE at beſt, much leſs for theſe jokes of his, which are not to be looked upon as his regular operations.

They are then, ſays CORUSODES (who was a profeſſed old Batchelor) what Philoſophers very wiſely call the ſport of nature, and to ſearch into the reaſon of them, is like enquiring how a toad grows in the heart of a ſtone.

Or rather, ſays EUDOSIA, how ſtraws come to be fixed in amber.

As to the fact itſelf, ſays CORUSODES, ſince it would be odious to prove it by inſtances; it may perhaps gain ſome credit from Fable. I may ſhew your diſpoſition, I hope, from the Heathen Gods and Goddeſſes, as Conjurers do your fortunes from the Celeſtial houſes. Now there you ſee VENUS, the top beauty, marries lame VULCAN the Black-ſmith. Too true an emblem of the fine gentlewoman and the pains-taking tradeſman, who earns his bread by the ſweat of his brows, whilſt ſhe in great tenderneſs goes abroad to get a ſhade for them. —— But not to deviate from the queſtion before us; if the matches we have been ſpeaking of ſometimes happen; whence is it, I would ſtill ask, that the women ſhould not regard their own diſtinguiſhing character, and not admire in the perſon they love their ſimilar perfections? Their affectation for beauty does not terminate in themſelves; 'tis viſible (and I believe they would have it thought ſo) in every thing they do, in every thing about their houſe, from the chamber-pot, embelliſhed, as I have ſeen it, with a ribband, to the noſegay in the dairy. If 'tis a conſideration in the choice of a Lap-dog, why not in the choice of a Husband?

Well, ſays EUDOSIA, ſince you are ſo acute in ſtating the difficulty, I ſhould be glad to hear your ſolution of it, tho' I fear it will not turn out much to our credit.

Why faith, Madam, ſays he, if I may be allowed to ſpeak my opinion freely, and I am ſure I may do it here without fear of being thought to make any reflection; I ſhould attribute theſe marriages to the pride of the woman, and her fondneſs of dominion. She knows the ill-favoured face of her Husband will be but a foil to ſet off hers to the greater advantage. This compariſon affords matter for perpetual triumph within herſelf, and gains her beſides a greater ſhare of admiration abroad, which is one ſtep towards eſtabliſhing her dominion at home. As Kings, by conquering foreign nations, grow often the more tyranous over their natural-born ſubjects. A deſire of rule, it has been obſerved, is the univerſal paſſion of the female world,

—— Mark the fate of a whole Sex of Queens!
Power all their end, but Beauty all the means.

Theſe matches, however, ſays EUDOSIA, might as well be aſcribed to the humility of the women, as their pride. The low opinion they have of beauty in general, may make them indifferent about it in their Husbands. 'Tis common, I believe, for all people to be poſſeſs'd of ſome quality which they themſelves pay leſs regard to than the world does. They may value it ſo far as it gains them eſteem; tho' in their heart they have a ſecret contempt for it. It is like the myſtery in buſineſs, which when once a man has maſtered, he deſpiſes it himſelf, tho' he magnifies it to others. It can't be ſuppoſed we ſurvey our charms with the ſame rapture you deſcribe them. No, your flattery does not deceive us ſo much, by creating in us too good an opinion of ourſelves, as of your paſſion for us: and to throw off the imputation of being principals in the cheat, you lay it all upon our vanity, inſtead of our credulity; the one being a crime that centers in ourſelves, the other in you. You was ſpeaking, I think, of tyranny; and this is ſurely the height of it, to make us your captives, and then reproach us with a belief we utterly diſown.

EUGENIUS thought it high time to interpoſe. But why, ſays he, ſhould we ſeek for a ſolution of this Queſtion on the woman's ſide, not on the man's; ſince it is her part only to give conſent? We ought therefore to inquire, Whether any reaſon can be aſſigned, why the Knights of the ſorrowful countenance ſhould be moſt deſirous of a DULCINEA with a cheerful one? Now, if beauty is an excellence, is it any wonder, that thoſe ſhould covet it moſt who ſtand moſt in need of it? Is not this the foundation of moſt of our purſuits in life? The father, who has found ſome inconveniences from not being able to read or write, determines, if he can, to breed up his ſon a ſcholar. The ſcholar, who finds learning an obſtacle to buſineſs, and yet no ſtep to preferment, reſolves his ſon ſhall be put in the way of raiſing an eſtate, without any Philoſophic incumbrance. Thus, you ſee, we learn to ſet a value upon any good from the want of it. But marriage, you know, was particularly deſigned to fill up the deficiencies of nature; for which reaſon woman was formed with very different qualities from the man. She looks for courage, protection, and diſcretion in him; maſculine virtues that ſeldom dwell in a female breaſt. He expects tenderneſs, ſubmiſſion, and cheerfulneſs in her, to temper the rugged paſſions in his. Now 'tis poſſible, external qualities may have their weight, as well as internal. If a man is conſcious of any ſhame from an ill countenance, he'll endeavour to compenſate for it in his Wife's. There he ſees beauty in its proper ſeat, and as CORUSODES would term it, its triumphant one. He reflects with pleaſure, that if Nature has deny'd him that perſonal advantage, it has given him others which he has exchanged in lieu of it; and that, like his eſtate, when once it becomes his poſſeſſion, he's as much intitled to the dignity that attends it, as if it were his birth-right.

CORUSODES, in the lines he cited, offends againſt Poetical juſtice, as well as female, if he thinks to prove by them, that pride is ſolely the property of the women. The great Author has ſhewn, that it appears more diſguiſed in men, but that it is however the latent ſource of all human paſſions, and is directed, by providence to the wiſeſt ends:

Th' Eternal Art, educing Good from Ill,
Grafts on this Paſſion our beſt Principle.
Nor Virtue, male or female, can we name,
But what will grow on Pride, or grow on Shame.

Pride is, in ſhort, a ſort of ſelf-love; from ſelf-love flows a principle of ſelf-preſervation; from ſelf-preſervation a deſire, either of rendering ourſelves as eaſy, or as perfect as we can. Under theſe regulations it becomes like its oppoſite charity, the very bond of peace and of all ſociety.

But this is not the point now before us. CORUSODES has cited this Author for his Hypotheſis: I ſhall beg leave to produce a paſſage from him expreſsly for mine; which will put an end to this diſpute, if the Company will but allow me, that friendſhip is only a lower degree of love, and that outward endowments may determine our choice, as well as inward. His words are theſe, 'The diſſimilitude of manners between the two friends 'ACHILLES and PATROCLUS, is very obſervable: ſuch 'friendſhips are not uncommon, and I have often aſſign-'ed this reaſon for them, that 'tis natural for men to 'ſeek the aſſiſtance of thoſe qualities in others, which 'they want themſelves. That is ſtill better if applied 'to Providence, which aſſociates men of different and 'contrary qualities, in order to make a more perfect 'Syſtem.'

The Company was highly pleaſed to find the Queſtion ſolved ſo much to the ſatisfaction of all parties. My buſineſs was only to be attentive to the diſpute, that I might make you, Gentlemen, a party in it. It is a year of eclipſes: and while the Royal Society is buſy in obſerving thoſe in the Heavens, it may not be unſerviceable for your Society, to give us an account of theſe ſublunary ones. Nor will they gain more glory in calculating the revolutions of Comets, than you in giving us a Syſtem of the moſt irregular of all Spheres the PETICOAT.

I am yours, &c.

PHILO MATH.

Gentlemen,

I Can't help telling you, that the *Remarks*, in your 380th *Journal*, upon the *Bill* at preſent depending in Parliament, are very juſt; nor do I doubt for the reaſons there given, but that there will be amendments made in it, which when they are done, may be of great benefit and ſervice to the nation, if paſſed into a Law; provided the Legiſlature in their wiſdom ſhall think fit, ſtrictly to enjoin ſome ſevere penalty upon Conſtables, or other Pariſh Officers, in caſe they fail to perform their office, as the Law directs. 'Tis a general obſervation, that the Engliſh have as many good Laws as any people in the world, but that they are as ill executed: which I look upon, to be in a great meaſure owing to the want of ſome ſevere penalty, to be inflicted on thoſe, that are appointed to put them in execution. We have ſeveral good Laws, to prevent haunting ale-houſes and tippling on the Lord's day; and Church-wardens are oblig'd by their office, to viſit ſuch houſes, and if I am not miſtaken, by their oath, in order to prevent ſuch wicked ſcandalous practices. But as they incurr no penalty in this world for their default herein, this part of their duty is generally neglected; and thoſe good Laws in themſelves are juſt as ſerviceable, as if they were not in being. The generality of thoſe Officers, from the beſt obſervation I have been able to make for above twenty years paſt, ſeem to be more tender of their pockets, than their conſciences; few of whom ('tis too much to be fear'd) take upon them the office, without being perjured before they go out of it. And therefore I could wiſh, for their ſouls ſake, that the oath they take, were leſs ſtrict; or that 'twere put more in the power of their ſpiritual guides, to compell them to act more conformably to it; which, by the way, in my opinion, as it now ſtands, is the moſt difficult oath to be diſcharged of any in the kingdom. When I conſider its nature and extent, and how little regard is ſhewn to the performance of it, by far the greater part of thoſe, to whom it is adminiſtered; it ſhocks me to the laſt degree: and therefore I ſhould be glad to ſee ſome alteration made in it. Whether this be worth publiſhing or not, I ſubmit to your better judgment.

Yours, &c.

Apr. 11, 1737. E. O.

A Paraphraſtical IMITATION *of* HORACE, *Book* III. *Ode* 13.

O THAMES, what River can with thee compare?
What glaſs ſo ſmooth, what chryſtal ſhines ſo clear?
Full cups of wine, with twiſted chaplets crown'd,
Shall in libation wet thy ſacred ground.
Behold that goat, whoſe horns begin to ſpread,
See how he friſks, and ſhakes his butting head;
His tender breaſt juſt feels new luſtful flames
To rout his foe, and court his ſhaggy dames.
Vain his young hopes; to-morrow to the knife
He yields reluctant his laſcivious life.
To thy cold brink the victim ſhall be led,
And thy white waters run diſtain'd with red.
In vain the Dog-ſtar boaſts his ſtrongeſt hour,
The mid-day fierceneſs of his burning pow'r.
The ſhepherd, to thy cool, refreſhing ſide,
Shall at that ſeaſon drive his wooly pride.
Tir'd with the plow and ſultry toils of day,
The fainting oxen in thy ſtream ſhall play;
From the kind draught new vigour ſhall attain,
Cool their parch'd throats, and ſwell up ev'ry vein.
Whether with nodding trees thy margin's crown'd,
Or riſing buildings load the verdant ground;

Where gilded turrets ſeem the Heavens to brave,
Their pointed ſpires reflected in the wave:
Still ſhalt thou pleaſe, and pleaſe in ev'ry eye,
'Till TAME and ISIS feel their channels dry.
For has not DENHAM ſung thy limpid ſtream?
(The praiſe of DENHAM is the voice of Fame.)
And has not POPE, the favourite of the Nine,
Proclaim'd thy beauties in his matchleſs line;
Trac'd thy Mæanders with ſuch wond'rous art,
That the ſoft verſe runs gliding to the heart?
E'en when thy leſſen'd waves refuſe to flow,
And pay the ſea the tribute which they owe;
Yet fear not then, thou ſhalt in darkneſs lye:
Immortal verſe forbids thy fame to dye.
XANTHUS and THAMES have nothing left to dread,
'Till POPE and HOMER ſhall no more be read.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

DP. *Daily Poſt.*
DA. *Daily Advertiſer.*
LP. *London Daily Poſt.*
G. *Daily Gazetteer.*
LE. *London Evening Poſt.*
SJ. *St. James's Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Apr.* 14. Yeſterday a committee of council was held at the Cockpit, on affairs of ſome importance. *LP.* —— On ſome extraordinary plantation affairs. &c. *LP.*

Yeſterday her grace the Dutcheſs of Northumberland, who is upwards of 100 years of age, being recover'd, ſet out for her ſeat at Throgmore near Windſor. *DP.*

The right hon. the Lord Hobart, hath purchas'd the late Earl of Yarmouth's fine eſtate in Norfolk, of near 4000 l. per ann. *LP.*

Yeſterday the rev. Mr. Archdeacon Stubbs preach'd the Spital ſermon at St. Brides, before the right hon. the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, &c. *DP.* ——— A moſt excellent ſermon. *LP.*

On ſaturday was imported from Dunkirk 8 tons of rags. *DP.* ——— Exported 1477 ounces of ſilver bullion for the Sound; and 14,690 ounces for Holland. *DP. DA. LP.* —— *Our wealth muſt be very great, to* export ſilver, *and* import rags.

Mrs. Mills is appointed carpenter of Weſtminſter-abbey, in the room of her husband. *G.*

Yeſterday at the quarter ſeſſions for Weſtminſter, Sir John Gonſon gave an elegant learned charge to the grand jury. *DA.* —— An excellent and learned charge, &c. *G.* —— *LP. Ap.* 15.

Married, yeſterday, Mr. Goodyer, a gentleman of a plentiful eſtate in Eſſex, to Mrs. Booth, widow of the late Barton Booth, Eſq; *LP.*

Died, on tueſday, in Groſvenor-ſtreet, Sam. Daſhwood, Eſq; ——— Yeſterday, in New Bond-ſtreet, Miſs Collington. *DP.*

On monday, a girl well dreſs'd was thrown by a ſudden ſhock out of the flying-chairs in Upper Moorfields, and broke her thigh, jaw-bone, and put out one of her eyes, and is ſince dead. *LP.* ——— She only receiv'd a ſmall bruiſe in her face by jumping out. *DA. Ap.* 18. ——— The Collector *of the preceding ſtory is a good* improver.

On tueſday a houſe in Hind-court, Maiden-lane, Southwark, was blown down, and a child was buried in the rubbiſh: the mother was goſſipping at a neighbour's, and left 3 children, but 2 had waddled out of doors. *DP.*

Yeſterday a boat going through ✓ bridge was overſet, and a woman and a boy were drowned. *DA* ——— A woman big with child. *DP. LP.* ——— A boat was overſet between Hammerſmith and Barnes, and 3 men and a woman drown'd. *DP.* ——— Several boats were overſet, and 8 or 9 perſons drown'd. *G.*

FRIDAY, *Apr.* 15. On wedneſday night their royal highneſſes the Prince and Princeſs of Wales came from Kew to St. James's. *DA.* —— Yeſterday. *G.* ——— They came on friday. *DA. Ap.* 16.

The gallery is put up in the Houſe of Lords, and reaches from ſide to ſide, at the end next to the Painted chamber, and comes out very near the Bar of the Houſe. It will contain upwards of 100 perſons. *DA.*

Yeſterday Sir Tancred Robinſon, Bart. commander of the York, lately arriv'd from Lisbon, kiſs'd his Majeſty's hand, on being made Rear Admiral of the Blue. *DP.*

Yeſterday Harry Gough, Eſq; was appointed Chairman, and Joſ. Wandſworth, Eſq; Deputy Chairman of the Court of Directors of the Eaſt-India Company, for the year enſuing. *DP. DA.*

We hear, that Will Hanmer, Eſq; is choſen Member for Caſtleriſing in Norfolk, in the room of his brother. *G.*

Laſt tueſday 16,000 ounces of ſilver coin were enter'd for exportation to Calais. *LP.* ——— On wedneſday was imported from Hamburgh 4058 ells of German linnen. ——— Exported for France 16,000 ounces of ſilver coin. *DP.*

Married, yeſterday, Hen Courtenay, Eſq; brother to Sir William, to the hon. Miſs Bathurſt, daughter to the right hon. the Lord Bathurſt. *DA.* —— At Deptford, Mr. Pomroy, Clerk of the Cheque, to Miſs Weſt, a beautiful young lady with 8000 l. *DP.*

Died, on tueſday, at Hampſtead heath, Mr. John Moore, the well-known Worm-doctor. *DP.* —— Famous. *DA. G.* —— Yeſterday, near Soho ſquare, Edw. Strother, M. D. fellow of the College of Phyſicians. *DP. LP. G.*

Laſt wedneſday morning a boat going from Woolwich to Purfleet was overſet, and the mate and 3 ſailors, belonging to the Sea Nymph of Scarborough, and a paſſenger, were drowned. *DP.*

SATURDAY, *Apr.* 16. Yeſterday being the birth-day of his royal highneſs the Duke of Cumberland, who enter'd into his 16th year, his royal highneſs receiv'd the compliments of the nobility, &c. *DA.* —— Being the anniverſary, &c. *LP.*

On tueſday the right hon. the Earl of Euſton and John Neal, Eſq; were elected Members of Parliament for Coventry. *LP.* ——— We hear, that John Thursby, Eſq; will be elected, &c. *DA.* ——— On thurſday. *G. Apr.* 18.

The Elizabeth Galley, Capt. Nanning, bound from Hambourg to Oporto, was caſt away within 6 leagues of Harwich, but the men ſaved. *DP. LP.* ——— Loaded with 800 ton of flax-ſeed and pipe ſtaves. *G.* —— On ſunday. *DA.* ——— The ſame day Capt. Woodburn, bound from London to Lancaſter, was loſt near Carlingford. *DA. LP.*

Yeſterday was imported from Holland 19 c. weight of whale-fins, 1482 ells of linnen; from Hambourg 12 c. weight of whale-fins, and 1310 ells of German linnen. ——— Exported for Holland 5098 ounces of ſilver bullion. *DP.*

Yeſterday morning Mrs. Barnardiſton, wife of Arthur, of Brightwell, Eſq; deceas'd, was brought to bed of a ſon, and heir to 3000 l. per ann. which would otherwiſe have gone to Sir Rob. Abdey and Sir John Shaw. *DA.*

The ſame day the right hon. the Lord Mayor, &c. went in the City barges to Fulham, to hold a court of Conſervacy, &c. *DA.* —— To Putney. *G.*

Tho' the careleſſneſs of watermen above 30 ſouls have been drowned this week between Graveſend and London-bridge: to prevent the like for the future, 'tis ſaid a clauſe will be added to a Bill now depending, that will totally put it out of the power of thoſe fellows to hazard the lives of paſſengers. *DP.*

The Biſhop of Oſnaburgh is ſtill living, it's the Biſhop of Augsburg that is dead, which occaſion'd the miſtake. *LP.*

On wedneſday, one Gilbert, a poſt-boy belonging to the George-inn in the Borough, was committed to the New Goal, for robbing a gentlewoman and her maid that morning about 4 near Shooter's-hill. *DP.*

MONDAY, *Apr.* 18. Yeſterday the rev. Dr. Foulks preach'd before their Majeſties, &c. *DA. G.*

The right hon the Lord Viſc. Glenorchy is to go Governor of the iſland of Barbadoes. *DA.*

They write from Preſton in Lancaſhire of the 12th, that fire continues burning at the Kennel-pits at Haigh. *DA.*

On friday was imported from Holland 5546 ells of linnen, [linen]. 4700 of German ditto, and from Hambourg 63 400 ditto.—Exported for Holland 500 ounces of ſilver coin. *DP.*

And odd Petition was preſented to the Juſtices at the Quarter Seſſions for Weſtminſter, by the apprentice of an engraver in St. Martin's pariſh, for not finding him work enough. It appearing to the Court, that the maſter would not let him ſee him work, for fear he ſhould make too great a proficiency, he being very ingenious, the Court diſcharg'd him from his ſervice, having 4 years to ſerve, tho' prodigiouſly againſt the maſter's inclination. *DA.*

Married on ſaturday, at Whitehall-chapel, the hon. Herbert Windſor, Eſq; to the eldeſt daughter of the late Sir James Clavering, Bart. a fortune of 60,000 l. *DA.* —— By the Biſhop of Glouceſter. *G.* ——— Yeſterday at Bloomsbury-church, Will. Audley, Eſq; to Miſs Skinner, ſole heireſs of Tho. Skinner, of Clapham, Eſq; a very beautiful young lady, with a plentiful fortune. *G.*

Died on ſaturday, at his ſeat near Hillingdon, John Miſt, Eſq; reputed worth 50,000 l. He was pavior to the royal palaces, and to the office of works, ſlater, cartaker, thatcher, ſcavenger, foundation-digger, &c. He was a great undertaker, and a ſlave to buſineſs. *DA.*

On ſaturday, an apprentice to a watch-engraver near St. Bartholomew's Hoſpital hang'd himſelf. He was one of the 16 in the paſſage-boat that ſank on tueſday, when ſeveral were loſt. *LP.* ——— *This is a confirmation of the* Proverb.

Laſt week a young gentlewoman, of a plentiful eſtate, was found drowned in the Thames near Reading. *G.* ——— On thurſday, one Hinckley, a copper-ſmith at Mitcham, having drank too largely of ſpirituous liquors, was found dead in his bed next morning. *DP.*

Yeſterday 2 children, the biggeſt not above a year old, were found murder'd in the Lay-ſtall-field behind Whitechapel-church. *DP.* ——— A woman went into the Nag's head ale-houſe over-againſt Whitechapel-church, with a bundle under her arm, which ſhe left at the door, as ſhe went out: in it were wrapp'd up two female children, ſuppoſ'd to be twins, with marks of violence on the head of one. *DA.* ——— The male infant was ſtabbed under the left pap, and the female under the left arm. *LP. Apr.* 20. —— *See, how differently* two Hiſtorians *relate one and the ſame ſtory!*

Yeſterday morning a boat ran foul of an anchor, near Fountain-ſtairs, Rotherhith, and a man and woman were drown'd. *DP.*

TUESDAY, *Apr.* 19. Laſt tueſday the Lord Viſc. Andover, was elected Member of Parliament for Caſtleriſing in the County of Norfolk. *DP. DA.*

Yeſterday the Sheriffs of London and Middleſex gave a grand entertainment to the Clerks of his Majeſty's Court of Exchequer, at the Exchequer Eating-houſe, when 52 calves heads were dreſs'd different ways. *G.*

Our merchants have receiv'd the melancholy news of the loſs of the Hope, Capt. Buſh, bound from Oporto to Lynn, and that the whole crew periſh'd near Boſton in Lincolnſhire. *DP. LP.*

Yeſterday morning about 3, the houſe of Mr. Hollyoak, in Wine-office-court, Fleet-ſtreet, was broke open. The rogue going up to Mr. Hollyoak's chamber, took a box from thence, wherein was 250 guineas, 3 ſilver watches, and Bank notes, in all to the value of 900 l. The box being preſently miſs'd, the rogue was found in one of the chimneys, who proves to be one Rich. Harper, [Rich. Warner. *LP.*] late an apprentice to Mr. Hollyoak. *DA.* ——— At the Old Cheſhire-cheeſe alehouſe: he took the box out of his daughter's chamber, a child, who cry'd out, *Mammy, a man has carried away the box*: there was 200 l. in it, and notes for 600 l. *DA.*

Married, laſt ſaturday, at Berkhemſtead in the County of Bucks, Will. Barker, of Biceſter in Oxfordſhire, to Miſs Anneſly, a very agreeable young lady, with 8000 l. *DP.* —— On ſunday, the hon. John Backenſwantz, Eſq; Director General of her Majeſty's ſtables, to a German lady of a good character and fortune. *LP.*

Died on ſaturday, in a fit at Carſhalton, Miſs Bynes, a young lady about 19, and 30,000 l. fortune. She came to London on thurſday in her chariot, and return'd home in very good health that evening. *DP.* —— On ſunday, at his lodgings the corner of the Old Bailey, Ludgate-hill, Mr. Howe, who lately married Miſs Howe, a fortune of 10,000 l. *DP.* —— 15,000 l. *LP.* ——— Yeſterday morning, at Carſhalton, Miſs Boyles, a fine agreeable young lady, aged 19, and had 20,000 l. fortune. *LP.*

WEDNESDAY, *Apr.* 20. Yeſterday the Lord Provoſt of Edinburgh was admitted to bail, himſelf in 2000 l. and his ſecurities in 1000 l. each. *DP.* &c.

Yeſterday the right hon. the Lord Mayor drank to Mr. Coſſins for one of the Sheriffs of this City for the year enſuing. *DA.*

Our laſt letters from Coventry inform us, that the numbers upon cloſing the poll on thurſday were, for Lord Euſton 663, for Mr. Neale 618, and for Mr. Harvey 122. *DA.*

Yeſterday at a Rehearſal at S. Paul's, of the anniverſary muſick for the Feaſt of the Sons of the Clergy, to be held To-morrow at Merchant Taylors Hall, there was a numerous appearance of perſons of diſtinction, and a large collection made. *G.* ——— 282 l. *DP.* —— 282 l. 13 s. *DA.* ——— Which is more than collected at the doors laſt year by 46 l. 6 s. 6 d. the ſum then collected being 236 l. 6 s. 6 d. *LP.*

On monday was imported from Holland 1538 ells of linen, and from Hamburgh 1256 ells of German linen. *DP.* ——— 83,340 ells *have been* imported *in 4 days.*

Yeſterday evening one of the apartments in the Duke of Newcaſtle's office at the Cockpit taking fire, burnt very furiouſly, but being timely diſcover'd, &c. it was extinguiſh'd without doing much damage. *DA.*

On ſaturday, as a gentleman of Weſt-Ham, and others in a coach, were going to Epping, on the foreſt, the famous Turpin and a new companion of his, came up and attack'd the coach; the gentleman preſented a carbine loaded with ſlugs at Turpin, but it flaſh'd in the pan, upon which, ſays Turpin, G — D —— you, you have miſs'd me, but I won't you, and ſhot into the coach at him, but the ball miſs'd him, paſſing between him and a lady; and then they rode off towards Ongar, dined at Hare-ſtreet, and robb'd in the evening ſeveral paſſengers on the Foreſt, &c. *LP.*

Married yeſterday, Nich. Bailey, Eſq; Member for the

Borough of Angleſea, to the only daughter of Col. Paget. *G.* —— A beautiful young lady with a very conſiderable fortune. *LP.* —— Of 25,000 l. *DP.* —— The ceremony was perform'd by his brother, the rev. Mr. Bailey. *DP. LP.* —— By the rev. Dr. Medlicoate. *G.*

Died lately, at Liege, the Earl Rivers, the honour is extinct. *LP.*

On monday an apprentice to a butcher in the Borough, going with ſome meat in a skift to a veſſel lying off Pickle Herring-ſtairs, was run down by a barge, and neither man nor boat ſeen to riſe afterwards. *DP.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

Gentlemen,

MY Curioſity has led me to conſider a ſmall *Treatiſe on the Art of Decyphering*; and tho' I don't find myſelf upon the whole matter to be a much greater Conjurer, than I was before, yet I muſt own, that I have here and there met with ſomething which ſtruck my fancy agreeably enough The Author obſerves, pag. 27, that 'when a decypher'd letter is publiſh'd, in 'which there are ſome characters *not* decypher'd, it may 'be of ſingular uſe, to publiſh thoſe very undecypher'd 'characters in their proper places;' for which he gives the following reaſon, 'that a reader may chance to interpret, what the publiſher could not.' Of this, it ſeems, there has happen'd a very freſh inſtance, with regard to a Letter written by K. CHARLES I. to the Marq. of *Ormond* from *Newcaſtle* 5 *Jan.* 1646 The Letter (which is the 26th Paper in Mr. CARTE's *Appendix*) contains the following paſſage. 'For further directions, I can 'only ſay, that upon no terms you muſt ſubmit to the 'cw ik, and that you endeavour what you can to repiece 'your breach with the *Iriſh*, in caſe you can do it with 'honour and a good conſcience, &c.' Now, Gentlemen, if inſtead of *cw ik*, it had been printed :.....: I believe we never ſhould have known, to *whom* or to *what* the M. of O was *upon no terms to ſubmit*. But the undecypher'd characters, being publiſh'd in their proper places, are now diſcover'd (and, as I am told, upon ſubſtantial proof) to denote the words *Engliſh Parliament*. So that you may warrant all Gentlemen, who are poſſeſs'd of the Book, to enter this interpretation in the margin of the place quoted.

What is ſaid, p. 8, 9, about publiſhing Collections of Letters, and, upon occaſion, conſulting Decypherers, in order to the doing it more completely, may deſerve to be conſider'd by the perſon, who is preparing for the preſs the Papers at *Hatfield*; and the rather, for that we have already a little inſight given us into certain Cyphers, formerly uſed by the Lord *Burleigh*.

ON ſunday the 10th inſt. died, in Salisbury-court, our Grubean Brother, *The Daily Journal*, on the 9578th day of his age. He had been long in a declining condition, and about 4 years ago fell into an Aſthma; for which he took ſeveral doſes of Dr. *Tindal*'s gilded pills, from a perſon of *great talent*, to whom the Doctor left the receipt by Will. But the frequent repetition of this medicine made the patient more ſhort-winded, cauſing him to *puff* inceſſantly; and beſides brought ſuch a deſluxion upon his eyes, that within two years he became almoſt ſtone blind, and could not find his way to Coffee-houſes, as uſual. But meeting with a younger brother, under the ſame inability on the account of lameneſs; they agreed mutually to aſſiſt each other. The *Daily Journal*, whoſe two under-proppers were yet in tolerable good condition, took *The Puompter* upon his back; who with his peepers pretended to ſee into a mill ſtone, and much affected the Sublime, *alias* riding pick-a-pack. Thus the legs of the one being directed by the eyes of the other, they both found their way, for ſome time, into a few Coffee houſes: till after many falſe ſteps, and much ſtumbling, the one growing heavier as the other grew weaker, the rider was thrown a violent fall, which broke both his legs, and, meeting with an ill habit of body was the cauſe of his death.

Thus deſtitute of a guide, *The Daily Journal*, about four months ago, was glad to take up the *Occaſional Prompter* (a firſt Couſin of the deceaſed) in the ſame manner. But he being lamer and heavier, and neither ſeeing, nor ſitting ſo well, their journey was ſooner determined by a fatal fall; which confined the one to his bed, where he lies paſt all hopes of recovery, and directly killed the other. Of what religion he died is not certainly known, ſince from the time of his fall to his death, he was not perfectly ſenſible: but it is generally thought he died a Mahometan, he having lately ſeveral times extolled that perſuaſion, and given it the preference to Chriſtianity as profeſſed in Popiſh Countreys.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Apr.* 14. —— *Verſailles, Apr.* 18. On maunday thurſday, the King waſh'd the feet of 12 poor men, with exemplary pains, humility, and devotion, and afterwards ſerv'd them with his own hands at table. The Queen perform'd the ſame to 12 poor women. *DP.*

By an ordinance of the 10th, his Majeſty directs the officers of his troops, in garriſon or not, to wear an uniform habit; forbidding them to wear any other, or to add any ſuperfluous ornament thereto, by the addition of lace, or change of buttons, on pain of being broke. *DA.* —— Of gold or ſilver lace. *LP.* —— The DP. *tranſlates it* their Uniform.

M. d' Argenſon, who is lately appointed, not *Licenſer of the Preſs*, but *Corrector of the bookſellers and printers*, has begun his new office with an act of authority. Being inform'd, that a book-ſeller of Amiens had reprinted the *Provincial Letters*, &c. he complained to the Chancellor, who has iſſued an order, that all the worſt Copies ſhould be burnt, the reſt ſold for the benefit of the poor, and the book-ſeller baniſh'd. *G.*

SATURDAY, *Apr.* 16 The Marq. de Monti who acquir'd ſo much reputation, by his real activity, and ſeeming zeal for the ſervice of King Staniſlaus; who was lately honoured with the Order of the Holy Ghoſt, and nam'd Embaſſador to the Court of Vienna, is now diſgrac'd, and ſhares the fate of Chauvelin; becauſe he has been fully convicted of having ſhared with him thoſe ſums that were ſent to engage the Poliſh and Pruſſian Grandees in the intereſt of King Staniſlaus. *DP.*

Vienna, Apr. 10. We are aſſur'd, that the Dutcheſs of Lorrain is with child again. *DP. DA. LP.*

Letters from Utrecht would fain perſuade us, that Baron de Neuhoff has been ſome time *incog.* in Amſterdam, where he has bought a very conſiderable quantity of arms *DP.* —— Letters from Amſterdam confirm the report, that Lord Theodore had been there 6 weeks, under the diſguiſe of a merchant, &c. *LP.*

MONDAY, *Apr.* 18 At Proske, near Roſenberg in Poland, on the frontiers of Sileſia, a woman had her head cut off, for killing and eating her own infant. A peaſant and his family are taken up for having conſumed the fleſh of two ſmall children, and of one 12 years old. The ſon of the peaſant having promis'd a young woman marriage, and being preſs'd with hunger, his ſweetheart, in ordes for his and the family's ſuſtenance, ſold all that ſhe had in the world; but when all was ſpent, the man knock'd her down, and cut her throat, and then he and the family, made a meal of her: but it making them all ſick, they kill'd a dog, roaſted, and then eat it, which reſtor'd them to their health. *G* —— *It muſt be a large* family *that could eat up* a woman at a meal: *and it ſeems very odd, that they did not* roaſt and eat *the* dog *firſt*

Dr. Hecquet, formerly Profeſſor and Dean of the Faculty, died at Paris the 1ſt inſtant aged 74, having not eat any meat, nor drank any wine for 30 years. *G.*

TUESDAY, *Apr.* 19. —— *Turin, Apr.* 6. On the 1ſt inſt. when the King of Sardinia came to the foot of the bridge of the Beauvoiſin, which ſeparates Savoy from Dauphiny, the Queen advanced up to him with this compliment: 'Sire, I am charm'd to ſee a Prince cover'd 'with lawrels, whom I look upon as my Maſter and my 'King.' The King, embracing her tenderly, anſwer'd, 'Madam, I deſire only to be ſo over your heart, I be-'ſeech you not to refuſe it to me.' *DP.* — 'I look upon 'as my Lord, &c Lord only, Madam, &c. *LP.* — 'I am overjoy'd to ſee that Prince, &c whom I own to 'be my Lord, &c.' *G.* —— The bridge over the river Giers. *LP. G.* —— The Queen is a very beautiful princeſs, has a fine ſhape, and a majeſtick mien, which added to a certain air of condeſcenſion and affability, makes a lively impreſſion upon all perſons that ſee her. *LP.*

Letters from Paris ſay, that the Duke of Orleans has given a conſiderable ſum to M. Rolin, antient Rector of the Univerſity, to get 60 plates engrav'd, to be inſerted in his work upon Antient Hiſtory. *DP.* —— M. Rollin late Rector. *G.* —— *My* Brother DP. *keeps his* antient *way of tranſlating.*

WEDNESDAY, *Apr.* 20. By a private letter from Paris, we are inform'd of a certainty, that Geo. Kelly, who made his eſcape out of the Tower, was taken ill at Lyons, in his journey to Avignon; and when the Letter came away which brought this news, he was given over by the phyſicians, and had received the laſt ſacraments and the Extreme Unction; ſo that in all likelihood by this time he is dead. *DA.* —— *Tho' my* Brother *was* inform'd of a certainty, *yet he ſeems not to be* more certainly informed, *than as to the falſe articles he publiſhed about* Mr. Kelly's *eſcape, or as to* the laſt Sacraments.

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